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#### APPELLANT'S SUPPLEMENTAL OPENING BRIEF

#### **ARGUMENT**

# THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS CORRECT THAT THE RESTITUTION FINE WAS IMPROPERLY IMPOSED, AND THAT THE ABSTRACT OF JUDGMENT SHOULD BE AMENDED ACCORDINGLY

At the oral pronouncement of judgment in this case, the trial court made no mention of a restitution fine pursuant to Penal Code section 1202.4, subdivision (b). (16 RT 3230-3252.) However, the abstract of judgment states that appellant is to "pay restitution fine of \$10,000. (4 CT 1179.) The clerk's minute order for the sentencing hearing also states that a restitution fine in the amount of \$10,000 was imposed. (4 CT 1196.)

One month later, after appellant had arrived at San Quentin, he sent a letter to the trial court complaining that the \$10,000 restitution fine had been imposed "in absentia." (I Supp CT 44-45.) On March 13, 1998, during a record correction hearing at which appellant was not present, the restitution issue was addressed by the trial court. (March 13, 1998 RT 3254.) The minute order for the March 13, 1998, hearing states: the "Court clarified record and

orders Restitution fine of \$10,000 which was ordered at time of sentencing but not on record." (I Supp. CT 52.)

In a supplemental opening brief, appellant argued, inter alia, that the trial court's attempt to impose a restitution fine by way of the abstract of judgment and subsequent minute order was invalid as it violated appellant's rights to adequate notice and a meaningful opportunity to be heard, and his right to be present and contest the imposition and amount of the fine.

Respondent, in its supplemental brief, agrees with appellant's conclusion. It argues that the trial court's actions were essentially an attempt to correct the oral pronouncement of judgment by means of a nunc pro tune order. It correctly observes, however, that "a nunc pro tune order cannot declare that something was done which was not done." (Resp. Supp. Brief, at p. 3, citing Johnson & Johnson v. Superior Court (1985) 38 Cal.3d 243, 256.) Continuing in this vein, respondent notes that although a trial court has the "inherent power to correct clerical errors in its records so as to make these records reflect the true facts," judicial error cannot be corrected by amendment." It also correctly states that the distinction between clerical error and judicial error is "whether the error was made in rendering the judgment, or in recording the judgment rendered." (Resp. Brief, at p. 3, citing In re Candelario (1970) 3 Cal.3d 702, 705.) Finally, it observes that "the oral pronouncement of judgment controls over and must be accurately reflected in the minute orders and abstract of judgment." (Resp. Brief, at p. 3, citing People v. Mesa (1975) 14 Cal.3d 466, 471.)

In light of this reasoning, respondent concludes that (1) the trial court's attempt to impose a restitution order, whether set forth in the abstract of judgment, the minute order for sentencing, or the subsequent order issued on March 13, 1988, was invalid; and (2) "the restitution fine was improperly imposed, and the judgment, minute orders and abstract of judgment should be

amended accordingly." (Resp. Brief, at pp. 3-4.)

Appellant is in full agreement with and hereby joins in respondent's arguments, reasoning, and conclusion, as complimentary to and consistent with the arguments raised in appellant's supplemental opening brief.

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#### **CONCLUSION**

The parties agree that the \$10,000 restitution fine imposed by the trial court was improperly imposed, and that the abstract of judgment should be amended accordingly.

DATED: December 1, 2016.

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Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 8.630(b)(2), I hereby certify that I have verified, through the use of my word processing software, that this brief, excluding the tables, contains approximately 600 words.

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